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1-22. (CANCELED)

23. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A fruit coring device comprising:

a handle; and

a tubular member having first and second opposed ends with the tubular member having an interior cavity and defining a longitudinal axis extending longitudinally through a center of the tubular member, the handle being connected adjacent the first end of the tubular member and the second end of the tubular member defining a substantially circular and planar member cutting edge; and
at least one blade having a planar blade cutting edge, the at least one blade being formed by a cut formed in a sidewall of the tubular member and the cut sidewall being bent inward into the interior cavity of the tubular member to form the at least one blade such that an opposite end of the at least one blade extends at least about half way toward the longitudinal axis but remains free and unsupported within the interior cavity, and the planar blade cutting edge lies substantially in a plane defined by the substantially circular and planar member cutting edge.

24-27. (CANCELED)

28. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The fruit coring device according to claim 24, wherein a substantially radially inwardly facing free end of the at least one blade is spaced from the longitudinal axis.

29. (CURRENTLY AMENDED-) A fruit coring device comprising:

a handle; and

a tubular member having first and second opposed ends with the tubular member having an interior cavity and defining a longitudinal axis extending longitudinally through a center of the tubular member, the handle being connect adjacent the first end of the tubular member and the second end of the tubular member defining a substantially circular and planar member cutting edge; and

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opposed first and second blades each having a planar blade cutting ←
edge, each of the first and the second blades being formed by a cut formed in a
sidewall of the tubular member with the cut sidewall being bent inward into the interior
cavity of the tubular member to form respectively the first and the second blades such
that an opposite free end of the first and the second blades extends ~~at least~~ about half ←
way toward the longitudinal axis but remains free and unsupported within the interior
cavity, and the planar blade cutting edge of the first and the second blades lie ←
substantially in a plane defined by the substantially circular and planar member cutting ←
edge.

30-33. (CANCELED)

34. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The fruit coring device according to claim
29, wherein a substantially radially inwardly facing free end of each of the first and the
second blades is spaced from the longitudinal axis.

35-36. (CANCELED)